

Yessan language

Yessan-Mayo (also known as **Yessan** or **Mayo**, as well as **Yamano**^[3]) is a Papuan language spoken by 2000 people in Papua New Guinea. It is spoken in Maio (4.21379°S 142.675929°E) and Yessan (4.219025°S 142.66658°E) villages of Yessan ward, Ambunti Rural LLG, East Sepik Province.^{[4][5]}

Pronouns

Yessan-Mayo pronouns from Foreman (1974), as cited in Foley (2018):^{[6][3]}

	sg	du	pl
1	ene	nenden	nemen
2	ne	kefen	kemen
3m	re	fe	me
3f	te		

Yessan	
Yessan-Mayo	
Region	East Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea
Native speakers	2,000 (2000 census) ^[1]
Language family	Sepik <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tama ▪ Yessan
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	yss
Glottolog	yess1239 (htt p://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/yess1239) ^[2]

External links

- Paradisec has a collection of Don Laycock's (DL2 (<http://catalog.paradisec.org.au/collections/DL2>)) that includes Yessan language materials.

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